(d) No such instance has been come to the notice of this Ministry.

(e) and (f) Questions do not arise.

National policy for the welfare of tribals

†180. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any national policy for the welfare of tribals in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government for implementation of the said scheme?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) A National Policy for tribals is in the process of being finalized.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Proposals sent by NGOs

181. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal submitted by Non-Government Organisations has been approved under the Women and Child Development Scheme;

(b) if so, the number of proposals from Non-Government Organisations received during the last two years in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the details of the Non-Government Organisations whose proposals have been accepted/rejected or still lying pending till date; and

(d) the funds allocated under sanctioned proposals during the said period in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) the number of proposals received from NGOs and approved and funds sanctioned/released during the last two years in Andhra Pradesh is given in Statement (*See* below).

The details of the NGOs to whom funds were released from the last two years are available in the respective Annual Reports of the Ministry and Ministry's Web site *http://www.wcd.nic.in*

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.